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**RESPONSE**

SIR:

Submitted herewith is a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time, granting the petition will extend the period for response up to and including October 25, 2006. Applicants' attorneys respond as follows to the Office Action dated May 25, 2006: